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SUBJECT: CISCO ELF STATEMENT: VISIT OF ELF DELEGATION TO DAMASCUS

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- 1. LOCAL UPI REP HAS INFORMED US THAT SOURCE OF REUTERS
  DESPATCH (STATE 170872 AND REFTEL) WAS OMAR ALEEM, INFORMATION
  OFFICER IN OFFICE OF "ERITREAN LIBERATION FRONT --GENERAL
  COMMAND, DAMASCUS."
- 2. ELF DELEGATION LED BY AHMED NASSER, PRESIDENT OF ELF REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL, VISITED DAMASCUS JULY 14 THRU 18 AT INVITATION OF BAATH PARTY. ACCORDING TO PRESS, DELEGATION MET WITH NUMBER OF HIGH-RANKING SYRIANS, INCLUDING AIR FORCE COMMANDER NAJI JAMIL, BAATH PARTY ASST SECRETARY-GENERAL ABDALLAH AL-AHMAR AND LEADER OF PALESTINIAN RESISTANCE GROUP AL-SA'IQAH ZUHAYR MUHSEN TO DISCUSS CURRENT SITUATION IN ERITREA. DELEGATION THANKED SYRIAN LEADERS FOR UNCONDITIONAL SUPPORT WHICH THEY HAD OFFERED ELF OVER MANY YEARS.

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3. DELEGATION MET WITH PRESIDENT ASAD JULY 17 AND,

ACCORDING TO PRESS HEADLINES FOLLOWING DAY, ASAD
PRAISED RESISTANCE AND VICTORIES OF ERITREAN PEOPLE
AND PLEDGED CONTINUING SYRIAN SUPPORT FOR THEIR STRUGGLE
SUCH SUPPORT, ASAD ADDED, WAS MATTER OF PRINCIPLE FOR
SYRIA.
MURPHY

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